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INFO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: PLANNED AND ABORTED FOREIGN VISITS BY PM GANDHI:

PARIS AND BELGRADE

1. FRENCH EMBASSY HERE TELLS US THAT TENTATIVE PLANS ARE BEING MADE FOR A VISIT BY PM GANDHI TO FRANCE AT THE END OF THE YEAR OR EARLY IN 1977.

2. WE ARE TOLD BY U.K. HICOMM THEY HAVE LEARNED RELIABLY THAT YUGOSLAVS HAD SOUGHT VISIT BY MRS. GANDHI TO BELGRADE EARLY IN 1976. INDIANS REPLIED THIS WAS NOT POSSIBLE. IN LATE JUNE, HOWEVER, WHEN MRS. GANDHI WAS MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR HER VISIT TO EAST GERMANY YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR IN NEW DELHI WAS CALLED IN TO MEA AND TOLD THAT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR PM TO STOP OVER IN BELGRADE FOR 24 HOURS ON HER RETURN TO INDIA FROM EAST BERLIN. YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR REPORTEDLY TOLD MEA OFFICIALS COOLY THAT HE WOULD NOT EVEN TRANSMIT SUCH A PROPOSAL TO BELGRADE, THAT INDIANS WERE AWARE THAT TITO WOULD PROBABLY NOT EVEN BE IN BELGRADE AT THE TIME, AND THAT TO ATTEMPT TO INSERT BELGRADE AS A STOPOVER AS AN AFTER-THOUGHT TO AN EAST GERMAN VISIT WAS SIMPLY NOT ACCEPTABLE. SAXBE

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